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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
ZIMMERMAN, et al.	)
Serial No. TBD	) Examiner: LILLING )
Filing Date: OCTOBER 25, 2001	Group Art Unit No: 1651
For METHOD FOR SLOWING THE DECOMPOSITION OF A COSMETIC COMPOSITION	) ) )

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Box PATENT APPLICATION Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment for the enclosed patent application, which is a divisional of the patent application having serial no. 09/599,235, filed on June 22, 2000.

#### **AMENDMENT**

# In The Title:

Please replace the existing title in its entirety with -- METHOD FOR SLOWING

THE DECOMPOSITION OF A COSMETIC COMPOSITION --.

## In The Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-12.

### **REMARKS**

Claims 13-20 are pending in this case and are ready for prosecution on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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